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MEMORANDUM

TO: D.T.E. 01-33 Service List

FROM: Paula Foley, Hearing Officer
April Mulqueen, Assistant Director, Telecommunications Division

DATE: March 22, 2002

RE: National Pooling Rollout; Waiver Requests

On March 19, 2002, the Department received notice from NeuStar Number Pooling Services that all state number pooling trials have been successfully migrated to the national Pooling Administration System. This means that our state pooling trials in the 413, 508/774, 617/857, 781/339, and 978/351 NPAs are now part of the national number pooling program.

Our D.T.E. 01-33 docket, originally opened to select an interim pooling administrator and oversee our state-level pooling trials,¹ will remain open to address other numbering issues pursuant to the authority delegated to the Department by the FCC, such as requests for waivers of NANPA's denial of growth codes. Please be advised that having developed its policy concerning waiver requests in a series of Department Orders,² the Department will now address

¹ See Proceeding by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy to conduct mandatory thousands-block number pooling trials and other number conservation measures pursuant to the authority delegated by the Federal Communications Commission, D.T.E. 01-33, Vote and Order to Open Proceeding (March 2, 2001).

² Verizon Harvard Letter Order, D.T.E. 01-33 (June 19, 2001); Verizon Partners Letter Order, D.T.E. 01-33 (July 9, 2001); Verizon UMASS Letter Order, D.T.E. 01-33 (August 16, 2001).

waiver requests via written staff directive rather than full Commission Order. Appeals of staff directives will be heard by the full Commission. Requests for waivers must be filed with the Department Secretary and forwarded to the D.T.E. 01-33 service list.³ Recognizing that waiver requests often contain carrier-specific proprietary information, the Department will not require concomitant motions for confidential treatment, but, as with its treatment of responses to Department requests for forecast and utilization data, the Department will deem the materials provided in support of a waiver request as confidential.

If you have any questions, please contact April Mulqueen at (617) 305-3748 or Paula Foley at (617) 305-3608.

³ Distribution of waiver requests to the D.T.E. 01-33 service list (other than to the Department) may be satisfied by email transmission.